

Australia's Best Credit Fund – 11 Years Running

Friday, 29 November 2019 – La Trobe Financial announced today that it has been judged Australia's Best Credit Fund - Mortgages in *Money* magazine's prestigious 2020 Best of the Best Awards. This award marks a record 11 consecutive wins for La Trobe Financial's flagship product, the 12 Month Term Account.

La Trobe Financial's Chief Investment Officer Chris Andrews said, "For nearly seventy years, we've been delivering real value for investors through capital stable, income producing investments, which are particularly important in today's low interest rate environment."

"The Fund is designed with both short and long-term investors in mind. Investors can stay for the 12-month period or be automatically rolled over for a new term. It's also an attractive option when new bond investors have to settle for either modest yield or increased credit risk," continued Mr Andrews.

La Trobe Financial's President & CEO Greg O'Neill OAM said he was thrilled to receive this important recognition for the 11th year in a row. "Our highly experienced team work hard every day to deliver consistently outstanding results for our investors. In the 2019 financial year alone, we returned an extraordinary \$151.8 million in interest payments to investors."

"It's a privilege to lead a team who live and breathe our cultural value of 'others before self' and are absolutely committed to being responsible stewards of our clients' hard earned savings," continued Mr O'Neill.

The La Trobe Financial 12 Month Term Account has been rated 'recommended' by <u>Lonsec</u> and <u>Zenith</u>. It is also highly rated by <u>SQM Research</u> with a 4.25 star suggesting "that it outperforms its peers and benchmark most of the time and that management is of a high calibre".

About La Trobe Financial

La Trobe Financial is one of Australia's diversfied wealth managers with A\$9.5 billion of assets under management. Since 1952, it has been providing funding and investment solutions to more than 140,000 customers. A proven and trusted investment partner, La Trobe Financial operates Australia's largest credit fund with \$4.5 billion in assets under management. It is 80% owned by Blackstone, the world's largest alternative asset manager.

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